



ANNUAL REPORT
... OF THE ...
AUDITORS AND OTHER
OFFICERS

TOWN OF
WEST RUTLAND

1905

AUDITORS:

B. WHEELER, T. A. MULLANY.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the taxpayers of West Rutland:

We have drawn 53 orders on the General Account, amounting to \$5368 59, 5 orders on Lister's Account amounting 177 76, 8 orders on Sidewalk Account amounting to \$504 38, and 46 orders on Poor Account amounting to \$1274 12, leaving a balance of over \$1100 00 in the treasury to pay a bond when due. There is no decision in the Dorset-Batles case yet. The license commissioners sent us a bill of \$145 00 for rent and services for the past year, there having been no licenses granted and no apparent duty to perform, we asked for an itemized statement and not receiving a satisfactory explanation, declined the bill. The residents of North Pleasant street handed us a petition to open a new road from near Thos. McDowell's house to the railroad crossing, so as to reduce the grade on the hill. We advertised for bids and awarded the contract to the V. M. Co. for \$500, with the old road bed, they waiving all land damages for the new road and building two stone culverts. The poor expense is a little in excess of last year, the same being caused by the purchase of a horse for the farm, one more inmate at the town house and more calls for outside help.

JAMES LEAMY,
GEO. C. ROBINSON, } Selectmen
DANIEL O'ROURKE, }

Selectmens' Orders

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

1904	No.		
Feb. 29	98	W. W. Tower, team, Blanchard....\$	1 00
	99	R. Dwyer, cutting ice.....	3 00
Mar. 7	1	D. J. O'Rourke cutting ice.....	1 50
	9	2 C. W. Humphery, town rept. 1903	20 16
	29	3 M. C. Webber license com.....	12 00
		4 C. A. Parker env. and cards.....	3 00
		5 V. M. Co., cutting ice.....	3 00
May 30	7	Treas. G. A. R. Post.....	50 00
	9	Tuttle Co., record books.....	15 00
June 10	10	John Bacon school tax.....	1,327 66
	11	" road tax.....	826 79
	21	12 Tuttle Co., tax book.....	8 50
Apr. 1	13	Proctor Trust Co., int. bonds.....	420 00
July 1	17	H. H. Brown, county tax.....	165 96
	9	18 H. W. Noyes, for band.....	100 00
	25	19 P. H. Patten, Ozell board.....	1 00
Aug. 1	20	Tuttle Co., order book.....	2 50
	21	F. Chaffee Sons lumber.....	58 48
	16	22 Francisco Co., ins.....	11 60
		23 Mrs. F. Clark rep'g mowing mach.	5 75
	18	24 G. A. Brine repairing bridges.....	6 90
		26 T. B. Wheeler auditor 1903.....	5 00
		27 J. E. Walsh, auditor 1903.....	5 00
		28 T. A. Mullary auditor 1903.....	5 00
	30	29 T. McCauly cutting brush.....	4 88
Sept 16	30	Tuttle Co., ballots and ch. list.....	39 33
Oct. 4	32	John Rooney tax rebate.....	2 46

	33	Mike Kennedy tax rebate.....	11 06
6	34	L. P. Holt ballot clerk.....	18 00
12	35	Barney Lynch tax rebate.....	3 44
	36	A. Vondette tax rebate.....	3 07
	37	P. F. Mullins, tax rebate.....	9 83
	39	M. C. Webber legal service.....	5 00
Dec. 3	40	Dan Davine booth and bal. clerk...	7 00
	41	L. P. Holt ballot clerk.....	16 00
16	44	V. M. Co., repairing bridges.....	5 96
	45	V. M. Co., electric lights.....	1,617 31
	46	G. A. Brine repairing bridges.. ..	4 15
	47	Ed. Gleason sheep damage.....	29 00
	48	Charles Boardman sheep damage.	20 00
	49	Chas. Dodge sheep damage.....	25 00
	50	Thos. Burke sheep damage.....	5 00
Jan. 20	51	L. P. Holt tax book and statistics	62 72
	52	H. H. Brown rent town clerk.....	24 00
Feb. 6	53	Geo. C. Robinson app. sheep.....	1 60
	54	D. O'Rourke app. sheep.....	2 80
	55	V. M. Co., electric lights.....	327 22
	10	57 Dr. C. B. Ross insane case Huas....	8 00
		58 W. A. Thrall nails and spikes.....	1 08
		59 C. H. Campbell hall.....	25 00
	13	60 H. H. Brown postage.....	2 25
	17	63 Edw. McCormick truant officer....	5 00
		64 F. Chaffee Sons lumber 1903.....	15 53
			\$ 5,369 49

LISTERS.

1904	No.		
May 30	6	Thos. W. Burke lister 1904.....\$	54
	8	W. H. Gallegher ".....	54
June 28	14	R. Dwyer ".....	6
	15	" A. O. H. hall.....	
Feb. 16	62	F. A. Morse listers supplies.....	

SIDEWALKS.

1904	No.		
Jan. 29	16	Geo. A. Brine sidewalks.....	\$ 33 93
Aug. 18	25	.....	36 66
Sept 24	31	.....	67 47
Oct. 29	38	.....	57 55
Dec. 10	42	.....	23 82
1	43	V. M. Co., sidewalk slabs.....	232 58
Feb. 6	56	W. O'Rourke sidewalk culvert.....	10 62
14	61	B. Lynch ploughing sidewalks.....	41 75
			\$ 504 38

OUTSIDE POOR.

1904	No.		
Mar. 4	2	Seeger Quilly.....	\$ 20 00
May 30	6	Albert Isabell, Jas. Marco.....	5 00
July 30	10	Rodger Dwyer, for outside poor....	26 00
	11	J. Prenevost ".....	25 00
	12	S. E. Smith ".....	10 00
	13	W. A. Thrall ".....	48 00
	14	W. Walsh ".....	11 00
	15	V. M. Co. ".....	32 00
Sept 22	19	W. A. Thrall ".....	24 00
Dec. 10	26	J. Prenevost ".....	25 00
	27	S. E. Smith ".....	12 00
	28	W. A. Thrall ".....	36 00
	29	V. M. Co. ".....	26 00
	30	W. Walsh ".....	30 00
	31	R. Dwyer ".....	6 00
	32	H. H. Brown ".....	6 00
Feb. 6	36	Mrs. C. Anderson, Amy Neilson.....	12 00
	37	Jos. Prenevost, for outside poor...	10 00
	38	W. A. Thrall ".....	24 00
	39	S. E. Smith ".....	6 00
	40	W. Walsh ".....	12 00
	41	R. Dwyer ".....	6 00
10	42	Dr. C. B. Ross ".....	48 00

44	G. F. Leonard, P. LaPort.....	7 35
14 45	C. H. Campbell, burial J. Marco and P. White.....	42 50
		\$ 509 85

POOR AT FARM.

1904	No.		
Mar. 4	1	Mrs. F. Clark, Feb.....	\$ 44 00
29	3	" cow trade.....	35 00
Apr. 12	4	" Mar.....	47 00
May 12	5	" Apr.....	42 00
June 10	7	" May.....	44 00
25	8	M. Hollarn, horse.....	125 00
July 6	9	Mrs. F. Clark, June.....	45 40
Aug. 1	16	V. M. Co., bedclothes.....	4 85
	15 17	Mrs. F. Clark, July.....	44 00
Sept 12	18	" Aug.....	44 00
	28 20	Francisco & Son, ins.....	20 80
Oct. 13	21	Chas. Junguist, rep. harness.....	11 50
	18 22	Mrs. F. Clark, Sept.....	44 00
Nov. 16	23	G. W. Pratt & Co., work, farm.....	12 87
	21 24	Mrs. F. Clark, Oct.....	44 00
Dec. 6	25	" Nov.....	44 00
Jan. 20	33	" Dec.....	44 00
	34	E. E. Clark, supplies.....	5 00
Feb. 6	35	Mrs. F. Clark, Jan'y.....	59 00
	10 43	W. A. Thrall, bedclothes.....	1 85
	14 46	T. B. Wheeler, 25 yards cotton....	2 00
			\$ 764 27

17	Cr., rents O'Connell house...	36 00
	D. O'Rourke, horse.....	10 00
		46 00

Total poor farm expense.....\$ 718 27

PERSONS RECEIVING OUTSIDE AID.

Mrs. Pat McDevitt.....	\$ 96 00
Dennis Monahan and wife.....	70 00
Pat Cline and wife.....	68 00
Joe LaRoe and wife.....	60 00
Mrs. G. Gates.....	36 00
Segar Quisey.....	20 00
Joe Marco.....	25 25
Clement Stone, Jr.....	45 00
Amy Neilson.....	12 00
Peter LaPort.....	7 35
P. White.....	22 25
Medical attendance, outside poor.....	48 00

\$ 509 85

INMATES OF POOR FARM.

	Age.
Mrs. Mat Dochery.....	82
Patrick O'Connell.....	88
Mrs. Mary Ducharme.....	82
James Brown.....	78
Sophia Nelson.....	51
Esther Nelson.....	10
Mrs. Ed Breen.....	59
Mollie Tenney.....	29
P. F. Gaffney.....	43
Mike Mylan.....	49
Barbara Flannigan.....	70
Mat Mahar.....	73

ROAD COMMISSIONERS'
REPORT*To the taxpayers of West Rutland:*

In submitting to you my report I would say that on account of the very bad condition of the road at the beginning of the year and the necessity of working many of them the second time on account of their being dug up and left in bad condition by the West Rutland Water Co., and also by the Rutland Street Railway Co., raising their track from the depot to Clarendon avenue, and leaving highway in very bad condition. I was obliged to lay out more money than was appropriated, and there is also an account of \$21.75 which was paid this year that was worked by the road commissioner of 1904.

WM. J. O'ROURKE,
Road Commissioner.

No.		\$
1	Wm. Walker, labor.....	7 50
2	D. J. O'Rourke, labor.....	7 50
3	F. Saney, labor and team work.....	3 50
4	Patrick Casey, labor.....	1 50
5	Rodger Dwyer ".....	7 50
6	Oscar Fadden ".....	3 00
7	Harvey Odell ".....	1 50
8	Mike Teelon ".....	1 50
9	D. J. O'Rourke ".....	12 00

No.		
10	Jas. Kerrigan	"
11	Oscar Fadden	"
12	John Putnam	"
13	D. J. O'Rourke	"
14	Jack Battles	"
15	Mike Teelon	"
16	John O'Rourke, labor and gravel	"
17	P. H. Gillespie	"
18	Joe McCormick	"
19	D. J. O'Rourke	"
20	Ed Garry	"
21	Jack Battles	"
22	John Toohey	"
23	Mike Teelon	"
24	Wm. McGuire	"
25	Ed Garry	"
26	D. J. O'Rourke	"
27	Wm. Waters, repairs	"
28	Geo. Taylor, labor	"
29	H. G. Sheldon, labor and gravel	"
30	D. J. O'Rourke	"
31	Jas. Walsh	"
32	F. Chaffee Sons, labor and team work	"
33	"	"
34	Frank Fish, team work	"
35	P. H. Gillespie, labor	"
36	Mrs. F. Clark, labor and team work	"
37	D. J. O'Rourke	"
38	Frank Saney, labor and team work	"
39	Mike Teelon	"
40	P. H. Gillespie	"
41	John O'Rourke	"
42	James Walsh	"
43	P. H. Gillespie	"
44	Pat Waters	"
45	Ed Harrington	"

46	John Toohey	"
47	Ed Harrington	"
48	Jas. Naylor	"
49	Jas. Battles	"
50	Mike Teelon	"
51	Jas. Carrol	"
52	Hubert Cline	"
53	Ben Bowen	"
54	Joe McCormick	"
55	Henry Battles	"
56	Thos. Burke, labor and gravel	"
57	F. Caffee Sons, labor and team work	"
58	"	"
59	Hubert Cline, labor	"
60	Andrew Hanley, gravel	"
61	Chas. O'Brien, labor	"
62	P. R. Dwyer, labor and team work	"
63	Pat Gaffney, labor	"
64	Sam Leonard	"
65	Chas. Davine, labor and team work	"
66	Mike Herbert, labor	"
67	H. G. Sheldon, team work and gravel	"
68	Ben Bowen, labor	"
69	Jas. Walsh	"
70	Ben Bowen	"
71	Minimel Garvin	"
72	Fred Rothlis, labor and team work	"
73	Ed McCabe	"
74	Jed Hadley, labor	"
75	Wm. McGuire	"
76	Ben Bowen	"
77	Ed Belmore	"
78	Patsy Marchaud	"
79	John O'Rourke	"
80	John Meade, team work	"
81	F. Chaffee Sons, labor and team work	"
82	H. G. Sheldon, gravel	"

83	Terry McLaughlin, labor.....	14 25
84	John Hanley, labor.....	14 63
85	John Dutelle ".....	1 50
86	Ben Bowen ".....	4 50
87	John Dutelle ".....	3 00
88	Ben Bowen ".....	3 00
89	Barney Lynch, labor and team work.....	40 25
90	Wm. McGuire ".....	10 00
91	John Dutelle ".....	6 00
92	Ben Bowen ".....	7 50
93	.....	10 50
94	John Dutelle ".....	13 50
95	Wm. Waters, rep. and pointing picks.....	2 50
96	F. Chaffee Sons, labor and team work.....	82 00
97	Scott Hunter, labor.....	12 00
98	Pat Nolan, labor and team work.....	24 50
99	Dennis Dwyer, labor.....	12 00
100	Daniel O'Rourke, labor and team work.....	50 75
101	Fred Raymond ".....	12 25
102	H. G. Sheldon, gravel.....	23 70
103	Wm. Connell, labor.....	12 00
104	Tho. Connell, gravel.....	25 00
105	Martin Harte, labor.....	12 00
106	T. McCauley ".....	14 62
107	Ben Bowen ".....	18 00
108	John Putnam, labor and team work.....	21 00
109	D. J. O'Rourke ".....	4 50
109	Earle Wright ".....	6 00
110	I. W. Sherman ".....	4 50
111	Ed. Garry ".....	3 75
112	Geo. Gallagher ".....	6 00
113	Pat Colligan ".....	10 50
114	Jay Cook, gravel.....	5 30
115	Henry Battles, labor.....	10 00
116	Ed McCabe, labor and team work.....	10 50
117	H. G. Sheldon, gravel.....	22 10
118	Whipple Mills, labor and gravel.....	16 62

119	E. E. Clark, labor.....	12 00
120	I. W. Sherman ".....	7 50
121	Dan Crowley ".....	15 00
122	Geo. Gallagher ".....	7 50
123	John Burke, labor and team work.....	29 75
124	W. Mills, gravel.....	1 80
125	Chaffee Sons, labor on highway.....	84 00
126	Peter Johndrow ".....	14 00
127	Ben Bowen, labor.....	9 75
128	Ed Garry ".....	1 50
129	John Walsh ".....	18 75
130	John Papineau ".....	6 75
131	W. A. Thrall, scraper and hook.....	9 25
132	Mike Clifford, labor.....	14 25
133	John Frasier, labor and team work.....	24 50
134	Walter Thrall, labor.....	14 00
135	F. Mumford labor.....	3 00
136	P. Colligan ".....	17 25
137	D. J. O'Rourke ".....	4 50
138	Ed McGowan ".....	3 75
139	Wm. Gilmore " and gravel.....	55 80
140	Chas. F. Kelly ".....	12 00
141	Henry Battles ".....	15 00
142	John O'Rourke " and gravel.....	34 30
143	Chas. McGann ".....	11 35
144	John Riley ".....	15 00
145	Frank Burditt " team work.....	24 50
146	Oliver Avery ".....	14 25
147	F. Mumford ".....	4 50
148	Robt. Elliott ".....	7 50
149	John Durnier ".....	5 00
150	Ben Bowen ".....	27 75
151	Chas. Dunn ".....	12 25
152	Tab Geno ".....	5 25
153	Ed Clifford ".....	21 75
154	Chas. Kelly ".....	10 50
155	P. Colligan ".....	12 00

156	Robt. Elliott	"	9 00
157	Jay Cook	" and gravel.....	15 60
158	F. Mumford	"	19 15
159	Ed Gurry	"	12 00
160	Pat Cassidy	"	27 00
161	Chas Brackett	"	45 50
162	Jas. Walsh	"	3 00
163	Anthony Daley	"	13 12
164	Oliver Avery	"	3 00
165	Mike Clifford	"	9 00
166	Thos. Mullany	"	24 00
167	Dennis Dwyer	"	18 00
168	Jas. Battles	"	6 75
169	Jos. Prenevost	"	20 00
170	H. G. Sheldon	gravel.....	42 60
171	F. Chaffee's Sons,	labor, etc.....	89 37
172	John Riley	"	9 00
173	John Brewster	"	15 75
174	Eddie Thornton	"	22 50
175	Jas. Lincoln	gravel.....	7 50
176	Mrs. Jas. Dernier	"	28 00
177	John Dutelle	"	6 00
178	Wm. Walsh	"	24 50
179	John Papinau	"	5 25
180	John Riley	"	22 50
181	Frank Burditt	" team work.....	44 63
182	Wm. Waters	repairs.....	11 60
183	Dennis Gallagher	"	11 35
184	Rodger Dwyer	lanterns.....	1 05
185	Henry Battles	"	16 00
186	Oliver Avery	"	4 50
187	Pete Teelon	"	6 75
188	John Dutelle	"	6 00
189	Tuttle Co	order book.....	1 15
190	Dan Reed	"	28 50
191	Edward Clifford	"	7 12
192	Peter Teelon	"	5 62

193	John Burke	sleepers.....	2 00
194	Thos. Corey	"	18 75
195	Pat. Cassidy	"	18 00
196	Marcelle Young	"	33 00
197	Chas. Dunn	" team work.....	20 00
198	Pete Teelon	"	6 38
199	Pat. Cassidy	"	15 75
200	Thos. Lynch	"	18 75
201	F. B. Gorham	"	24 50
202	Barney Lynch	"	22 23
203	John Dutelle	"	3 00
204	Chas. Campbell	"	42 00
205	H. H. Brown	"	8 90
206	Tim O'Neil	"	1 12
207	Chas. Dunn	"	1 12
208	Thos. Corey	"	1 12
209	Thos. Mullany	"	1 12
210	Anthony Daley	"	75
211	John Dutelle	"	4 50
212	Edw. McGowan	"	21 75
213	Vt. M. Co.,	" plank, etc.....	3 00
214	Rob Elliott	"	12 75
215	Chas. Brackett	" team work.....	3 50
216	S. E. Smith	" lumber.....	9 49
217	W. A. Thrall	" repairs.....	1 20
218	Rodger Dwyer	" shovel.....	80
219	Will Smith	" labor & tools.....	16 50
220	C. D. Sargent	"	17 50
221	W. A. Waters	" sharpening tools...	1 00
222	Hubert Cline	"	5 25
223	F. Chaffee's Sons	"	25 15
224	Roy Stetson	"	75
225	P. R. Dwyer	"	3 50
226	Thos. Corey	"	1 50
227	Jas. Taylor	"	1 50
228	Wm. Walker	"	2 25
229	Ed Thornton	"	1 50
230	Henry Battles	"	1 50

School Directors' Report

To the taxpayers of West Rutland:

No. 30 of the Public Acts of 1902, as amended by the Acts of 1904, provides that \$45,000.00 of the State School tax shall be refunded to towns and cities raising fifty cents or more on the Grand List for school purposes. We offer this in justification for asking fifty cents the present year.

The building in district 21 has been thoroughly repaired and renovated. The rooms were calcimined and varnished, the black-boards painted, the floors covered with a preparation for laying the dust, and new trackers laid on the halls and stairs. On the exterior, the roof and walls were repaired, and water conductors have been placed to prevent damage to the walls. The nuisance in the basement, so long a subject of complaint, has been abated, and the air in the rooms is no longer a menace to the health of the children. Repairs were made on the roof of the building in Dist. 7, and new desks provided in the First Primary room. This building is sadly in need of painting. The attention of of parents is directed to the provision now made in the High School for preparing graduates of the English Course to pass the teachers' examinations. Facilities are also to be provided for observation and practice teaching under the direction of the teachers. This will enable us in time to fill vacancies by choosing teachers from among the brightest and best equipped of our own graduates. The fire drill required by law has been introduced into districts 7 and 21. The buildings are equipped, electrically, for this purpose. The drill is modelled after the one in use in the New York City schools. Three new teachers have been employed:

Miss Agnes Copps, Miss Catherine O'Rourke and Miss Lizzie Brothers. They have been assigned to districts 7, 8 and 9, respectively. This report would be incomplete without a word in commendation of the painstaking and conscientious work of our teachers. We invite parents to witness for themselves the good work they are doing, and to show sympathetic interest in their praiseworthy efforts in place of the unmerited, and sometimes unenlightened criticism which is too readily and too frequently bestowed. Parents with the true interest of their children at heart will refrain from interfering with or antagonizing the aims of teachers, for such conduct will certainly react upon themselves by making their children less interested in their studies and less tractable both at school and at home. The building in district 21 is still overcrowded.

We have drawn the following orders:—

1904	No.		
Feb.	9	629 Jas. Leamy, Agt., ¹ freight.....	\$ 2 39
Mar.	2	630 E. Welch, janitor.....	37 50
	4	631 Mike Kennedy, wood, dist 8, 9, 21	38 00
		632 Jay Cook, wood, dist 8.....	3 00
	7	633 Geo. Fish, wood; dist 21 and 6....	87 19
	10	634 Jas. Mumford, taking census.....	25 60
		635 H. H. Brown, pay roll.....	893 05
	14	636 Lafayette Potter, wood, dist 21..	78 75
	18	637 Lester Fish, wood, dist 21.	33 84
Apr.	2	638 Edw. Welch, janitor.....	37 50
	4	639 G. W. Pratt & Co., repairs & sup.	37 51
	9	640 Daniel Brown, building fires dist 6	4 75
		641 The Tuttle Co., school ink.....	3 43
		642 Levins & Sullivan, insurance.....	37 50
		643 Barney Lynch, carrying children..	1 50
	16	644 Carl Larson, b'ld'g fires.....	4 50
	26	645 Vt. Mar. Co., coal and wood.....	117 75
		646 Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies, text books.....	4 17

	647	J. W. Stearns, matting and table..	9 66
	648	Ed. McCormick, supt. of schools..	28 00
	649	Thomas Battles, b'ld'g fires dist 6	50
27	650	Mary McGowan, b'ld'g fires dist 8	4 50
May 2	651	H. H. Brown, pay roll No. 46.....	764 44
	652	Dunn Bros., win. screens, dist 7...	25 06
31	653	H. H. Brown, pay roll No. 47.....	759 94
June 1	654	Jas. Quinn, raising flag, dist 7.....	2 00
	655	F. A. Morse, supplies.....	72 19
7	656	Carl Larson, b'ld'g fires, dist 9....	70
	657	Geo. Ellis, b'ld'g fires, dist 9.....	1 20
22	658	Jas. Leamy, Agt., freight.....	1 80
24	659	H. H. Brown Treas., pay roll 48..	725 22
July 1	660	Edw. Walsh, janitor.....	37 50
13	661	Dan Brown, b'ld'g fires, dist 6....	3 00
	662	Tuttle Co., 50 diplomas.....	8 00
	663	W. T. Foley, printing.....	4 25
	664	Eagle Pencil Co., pencils.....	10 00
26	665	Hubert Cline or bearer, labor.....	1 00
	666	Antonio Cape, labor.....	1 00
30	667	C. D. Powers, wood, dist 21.....	22 75
Aug. 2	668	Edw. Walsh, janitor.....	37 50
16	669	Pat Cassidy or wife, labor.....	3 00
	670	Vt. Mar. Co., slate.....	2 28
	671	John Grooman, slate.....	1 50
22	672	Stoddard Mfg. Co., lumber.....	81 71
27	673	Wm. Kerrigan, labor.....	59 88
29	674	C. D. Powers, wood, dist. 21.....	96 75
Sept. 2	675	Edw. Welch, janitor.....	37 50
3	676	Wm. Kerrigan, labor.....	31 76
6	677	The Tuttle Co., slating.....	23 28
	678	Eagle Pencil Co., supplies.....	15 75
	679	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies.....	9 55
	680	Geo. Brown, labor.....	10 50
	681	C. Granger, labor.....	7 00
7	682	Burnham & Fletcher, insurance...	42 50
	683	M. H. McLaughlin, eaves trough	44 00

	20	684	C. D. Powers, wood, dist 21.....	15 75
	24	685	L. Greeno, sawing wood, dist 6...	2 10
	30	686	Wm. Kerrigan, labor.....	9 47
Oct.	1	687	Edw. Welch, janitor.....	37 50
	3	688	Masury, Young & Co., repairs.....	27 00
		689	Frank Conniff, labor.....	103 16
		690	Thos. O. Callaghan & Co., repairs	100 00
	4	691	H. H. Brown, pay roll 49.....	651 00
	6	692	Edw. Welch, extra labor.....	9 75
	31	693	Jas. Leamy, Agt., express.....	8 97
		694	Vt. Mar. Co., slabs and lumber....	12 00
		695	The Tuttle Co., supplies.....	8 60
		696	The Western Penn. Pub. Co., sup.	4 72
		697	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies.....	46 13
		698	The Herald, advertising.....	1 25
		699	Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies	10 20
		700	Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies.....	47 70
		701	American Book Co., supplies.....	5 76
		702	Maynard, Merrill & Co., supplies	30 24
		703	Ginn & Co., supplies.....	16 00
		704	H. H. Brown, Treas., pay roll 50	685 50
Nov.	7	705	The A. H. Andrews Co., desks.....	76 40
		706	Wm. O'Rourke, cartage.....	1 00
	10	707	Enos C. Fish, special service.....	1 50
	17	708	Edw. McCormick, Supt. of Schools	25 00
	19	709	Wm. Kerrigan, labor.....	4 20
	24	710	Whipple Mills, wood, dist 8 and 9	14 00
	29	711	H. H. Brown, Treas. pay roll 51...	648 00
Dec.	2	712	Edw. Walsh, janitor.....	37 50
	10	713	F. A. Morse, paints, etc.....	44 07
	12	714	G. W. Pratt & Co., repairs.....	10 03
		715	Vt. Mar. Co., fuel & supplies.....	112 28
	16	716	Lafayette Potter, wood, dist 21..	81 00
		717	Daniel Crowley, labor.....	65
	18	718	H. H. Brown, Treas., pay roll 52	486 00
	20	719	John J. Dempsey, b'ld'g fires.....	4 50
	23	720	Daniel Brown, b'ld'g fires, and	

		sawing wood.....	6 05
27	721	L. Greeno, sawing wood.....	4 25
31	722	Jas. Leamy, Agt., freight.....	2 40
1905			
Jan.	2	723 Edw. Walsh, janitor.....	37 50
	11	724 Milton Bradley Co., supplies.....	7 58
		725 Ginn & Co., supplies.....	25 46
	19	726 Carl Larson or bearer, b'ld'g fires	5 00
	23	727 Vt. Marble Co., coal.....	65 00
		728 E. C. Keech, Cram's atlas.....	15 00
	31	729 Edw. Walsh, janitor.....	37 50
		730 W. T. Foley, taking census, post- age, etc.....	33 00
		731 H. H. Brown, Treas., pay roll 53	490 50
Feb.	4	732 H. H. Brown, supplies.....	6 76
		733 Owen M. Humphrey, wood, dist 9	4 50
	13	734 F. Chaffee's Sons, repairs.....	46 94
	13	735 Auguste Cyr, repairs.....	4 00
Total orders drawn.....			\$ 8,605 47

The above may be classified as follows:

Teachers.....	\$ 5,991 15
Janitors	469 15
Fuel	766 06
Books	163 75
Supplies	192 24
Repairs.....	796 78
Insurance.....	80 00
Miscellaneous	146 34

Amount of orders drawn.....\$ 8,605 47

T. R. CARTY,	} School Directors.
W. W. WHEELER,	
W. T. FOLEY,	

Superintendent of Schools.

To the Directors and Citizens:

GENTLEMEN:—

I have visited your schools as the law stipulates once in each term. The outside districts, I have visited twice.

These are so much harder having so many classes, some as many as seven. Being located at both ends of the town, it would be a rather difficult undertaking to get them together into a central building. They have been well cared for under the circumstances. I would state here that it would be an advantage to these schools to supply them with small copy books on the Palmer system. For in my judgment it is almost impossible for any teacher to use the muscular movement with all the classes as taught in the grades.

The graded system of secular instruction as taught in our schools is the best in the world. I have seen it stated from good authority that our American teachers are the best trained teachers in the world. But in technical training the Germans say they are ahead of us. The Palmer System has been introduced into our schools which I believe is the best for any young person going into business. Some of our children are very fine writers.

There have been some changes in our schools the last year caused by the resignation of Miss Shangraw, which has been the cause of a good deal of criticism, though it saved the town one teacher's salary.

The town never had as good a board of directors as it has had this year. They have spent their time to serve you, and that without any recompense.

There are at present 18 teachers employed in town. In distric 21—9 teachers, 317 scholars; in No. 7—6 teachers, 232 scholars; outside district 6—1 teacher, 36 scholars; ungraded school 8—1 teacher, 26 scholars; in No. 9—1 teacher, 14 scholars. We have an excellent staff of teachers. They teach intelligently and we have good results. We have no teacher in vocal music, which the children miss very much. Our sanitary system in dist. 21 has been changed, a good move as far as fresh air is concerned.

Some parents uphold their children against the teachers, and those are the children who give all the annoyance in the schools. I never knew a teacher yet that did not use the children confided to her care better than their parents. Parents should know that teachers have the same authority over those children for at least six hours in the day as their parents have when under their care. Your directors have the power to change the schools and also to send the children to any of these schools they think proper.

TRUANCY

As truant officer, I have visited several places, but the whole cause seems to be sickness, whooping cough and mumps. Some truants I have got in.

EDWARD McCORMICK,
Superintendent and Truant Officer.

Mr. Edward McCormick, Supt. of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

I herewith submit to you the annual report of the town high school. Improvements have been made during this school year of the appearance of the high school rooms. The floors have been oiled so that the rooms are more free from dust. The ceilings and walls have been kalsomined,

thus removing the dinginess from the rooms. The black-boards were greatly improved by a coat of paint. The two rooms on the second floor on the east side of the building have been connected by a door so that the high school has two rooms, thus relieving the crowded condition of last year and doing away with the recitation room which stopped up one of the stairways. Last September a teachers' course was begun in our high school. The object of this is to prepare our pupils for the County examinations, and to fit them to fill vacancies as they occur in our own schools.

In my judgment, the most important thing that the school commissioners have done is so to place our sanitary arrangements that three hundred fifty pupils and their teachers are delivered from the stupifying and unhygienic fumes of sewer gas and stench.

Some of the rooms in the building are so crowded that good order, good teaching and the pupil's best progress are a practical impossibility. More room must be had or the quality of our school must deteriorate.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. CARRIER.

Town Treasurer's Report

Town of West Rutland, Vt.,

In account with H. H. Brown, Treasurer.

CREDIT

Receipts from Feb. 15, 04, to Feb 20, 05.

Balance, see report 1904.....\$ 870 92

J. L. Bacon, State Treas., Huntington Fund	107 43
“ “ State School app'mt... ..	1023 87
“ “ Highway distribution	216 99
“ “ Excess fines paid by town.....	270 04
Taxes from taxpayers 1904.....	19020 19
“ A. G. Dodge, collector.....	65 68
“ Ralph Crawford “	398 87
“ E. J. McCarthy “	20 00
“ H. H. Shanahan “	10 00
Warrants from collectors	6 25
F. W. Carrier, Tuition and books.....	62 25
L. P. Holt, town clerk, dog license account	127 30
Selectmen, horse sold.....	10 00
“ ck on poor acct.....	1 60
George Brown, justice fines and costs	41 23
T. B. Wheeler “ “	543 62
W. W. Wheeler, sale of ashes.....	4 70
B. A. Bliss, unexpended balance G. A. R. order....	20 00
Selectmen, rent O'Connell place	36 00

DEBITS

Disbursements from Feb. 15, 04, to Feb. 20, 05.

School Directors orders.....	\$ 8605 47
Selectmen's orders, including poor acct.....	4502 41
Interest on above orders.....	127 81
J. L. Bacon, State School Tax.....	1327 60
“ Highway	829 97
“ 1-2 liquor fines	57 50
Road commissioners orders	3364 78
Interest on same.....	6 49
H. F. Field, treas. County tax.....	165 96
Bounty on foxes.....	6 75
Bounty on bear to Elmer Parker	12 00
Treas. Library assn	304 93
Justice T. B. Wheeler's orders	691 81
“ Geo. Brown's “	39 59

Treasurer's fees 1 per cent 1904.....	190 17
Warrants issued to collector.....	11 30
License commissioner order.....	25 00
Int on Bonds at Proctor Trust Co.....	840 00
Treas Central district, division public money	70 84
Balance in treasury.....	1676 67

\$22856 93 \$22856 93

TOWN SCHOOL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS.

Selectmens division public money.....	\$ 1230 81
Taxpayers.....	7429 77
E. J. McCarthy, collector.....	7 80
A. G. Dodge, collector.....	25 66
Ralph Crawford, collector.....	155 81
H. M. Shanahan, collector.....	3 90
Prof. Carrier, tuition and text books.....	62 25
W. W. Wheeler, sale of ashes.....	4 70

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid school directors orders.....	\$ 8605 47
Balance on hand.....	315 23

\$8920 70 \$8920 70

ELECTRIC LIGHT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand (see report 1904)....	\$ 110 78
Taxpayers.....	1931 73
A. G. Dodge, collector.....	6 66
Ralph Crawford, collector.....	40 52
E. J. McCarthy, collector.....	2 04
H. M. Shanahan.....	1 02

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid selectmens orders.....	1944	53
Balance on hand.....	148	22
	<u>\$ 2092 75</u>	<u>\$ 2092 75</u>

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand (see report 1904).....	\$ 491	02
Taxpayers.....	2971	90
A. G. Dodge, collector.....	10	20
Ralph Crawford, collector.....	62	32
E. J. McCarthy, collector.....	3	12
H. M. Shanahan, collector.....	1	56
State highway apportionment.....	216	99

DISBURSEMENTS.

20 per cent. transferred to sidewalk act\$	653	22
Paid commissioners orders.....	3364	78
Paid interest on same.....	6	49
Balance over drawn.....		267 38
	<u>\$ 4024 49</u>	<u>\$ 4024 49</u>

SIDEWALK ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand (see report 1904).....\$	294	78
20 per cent. from highway fund.....	653	22

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid selectmen's orders.....	\$504	38
Balance on hand.....	443	62
	<u>\$ 948 00</u>	<u>\$ 948 00</u>

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

Received from town clerk for licenses..	\$ 127	30
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid selectmens orders.....\$	83	40
Balance on hand.....	43	90
	<u>\$ 127 39</u>	<u>\$ 127 30</u>

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

RECEIPTS.

Taxpayers.....	\$ 297	19
A. C. Dodge, collector.....	1	03
Ralph Crawford, collector.....	6	23
E. J. McCarthy, collector.....	32	
H. M. Shanahan, collector.....	16	
Paid treasurer library association.....\$	304	93
	<u>\$ 304 93</u>	<u>\$ 304 93</u>

STATEMENT OF TAXES FOR YEAR 1904.

Total amount on tax book.....	\$20592	28
Payments.....	\$19020	19
4 per cent. discount to taxpayers.....	792	50
Abatements.....	44	22
Balance unpaid.....	735	37
	<u>\$20592 28</u>	<u>\$20592 28</u>

Collector's Report.

TAX BOOK 1902

Amt. collected and paid to treasurer.....	\$	10	00
Amt. abated.....		2	50

H. M. SHANAHAN, Collector.

TAX BOOK 1903

Amt. taxes uncollected Feb. 15, 1904.	\$	282	54
Amt. collected and paid treasurer.....	\$	65	68
Amt. abated.....		10	89
		76	57

Amount uncollected.....	\$	205	97
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A. G. DODGE, Collector.

TAX BOOK 1904

Amount of taxes upon books when received from treasurer.....	\$	735	37
Amount collected and paid treasurer...	\$	398	87
Amount abated.....		39	81
		438	68

Amount uncollected.....	\$	296	69
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R. F. CRAWFORD, Collector.

Auditors' Report.

We have examined the accounts of your various town officers and find them correct.

The financial condition of the town is as follows:

Reg. 3½ per cent. bonds.....	\$24000	00
U. S. surplus fund.....	5678	74

\$29678 74

Selectmen's outstanding orders	79	93
Road com'rs outstanding orders.....	60	90

\$29819 57

RESOURCES.

Cash in treasury.....	\$	1676	67
Due on tax book of 1899.....	\$	184	55
" " 1900.....		253	20
" " 1901.....		460	18
" " 1902.....		386	44
" " 1903.....		205	97
" " 1904.....		296	69
One road machine.....		250	00
One snow plow.....		50	00
Town hall as appraised.....		200	00
Town farm.....		2680	00
Personal property at farm.....	1100	00\$	7743 70

\$22075 87

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND

SCHOOL PROPERTY.

District No. 21.....	\$12000 00
" 6.....	220 00
" 7.....	4850 00
" 8.....	150 00
" 9.....	160 00
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	\$17380 00\$17380 00

Net liabilities..... \$ 4695 87

T. B. WHEELER, }
T. A. MULLANY, } Auditors.

LIST OF OUTSTANDING ORDERS.

SELECTMENS.

No. 58 W. A. Thrall.....	\$ 1 08
27 John Walsh.....	5 00
28 W. A. Thrall.....	36 00
38 " ".....	24 00
40 Wm. Walsh.....	12 00
43 W. A. Thrall.....	1 85
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	\$ 79 93

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

No. 175 James S. Lincoln.....	\$ 7 50
219 William Smith.....	16 50
223 F. Chaffee's Sons.....	25 15
225 P. R. Dwyer.....	3 50
226 Tom Corey.....	1 50
227 James Taylor.....	1 50
228 Wm. Walker.....	2 25
229 Ed. Thornton.....	1 50
230 Henry Battles.....	1 50
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	\$ 60 90

Library Association.

H. H. BROWN, Treas.,

In acct. with West Rutland Library Ass'n.

1904	Cr.		
Feb 15	By balance.....	\$	181 62
Oct 1	cash recd from town treas.....		304 93

1904	Dr.		
Apr 9	Pd G. E. Chalmers, books...	\$	42 15
18	Vina Shangraw, books..		18 00
May 6	S. E. Smith, coal.....		6 50
June 30	J. W. Sheehan, books ...		11 00
July 15	Nellie H. Newton, sub...		2 00
	" " salary		16 66
	" " " "		16 66
Aug. 15	R. Dwyer, wood.....		1 75
Oct 29	G. E. Chalmers, books..		17 90
Nov 1	H. Johnson est, rent.....		50 00
Dec 9	N. H. Newton, salary....		50 00
13	R. Dwyer, wood.....		1 75

1905			
Jan 4	S. E. Smith, coal.....		3 40
Feb 1	V M Co lights.....		30 00
	N. H. Newton, salary..		16 68
	G. E. Chalmers, books..		57 34
9	S. E. Smith, coal.....		3 40
18	R. Dwyer, wood.....		1 75
	Bal in treas		139 61

\$ 486 55 \$ 486 55

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

There have been 5090 loans during the year. The reading tables have been supplied with eight of the best magazines and papers at a cost of \$17.90. These have been much read. One hundred and thirty-three new books have been added by purchase, including the Stoddard Lectures and the works of Theodore Roosevelt. There has been \$12.25 received from fines. Of this \$10.19 has been expended for needed supplies and there is now \$2.06 remaining.

NELLIE H. NEWTON, Librarian.



TOWN CASES—ANNUAL REPORT OF T. B. WHEELER, Justice of the Peace.

DATE	RESPONDENT	OFFENSE	FINE	COSTS	DISPOSITION
04 Jan 31	Steve Russeck.....	Breach of the Peace	\$ 1 00	\$ 7 07	Not Guilty
Feb 19	Andrew Drape	"	5 00	9 77	Paid
24	Joe Fusca.....	"	5 00	11 43	"
24	John O. Tier	"	5 00	10 69	"
24	Mike O. Fea.....	"	5 00	11 43	"
May 17	Mrs. John Cumanske..	"	2 00	4 51	Nolle Prosque
June 6	Wm. O'Neal.....	"	5 00	6 63	Paid
Nov 4	James Welsh.....	"	5 00	11 70	Not Guilty
22	James Mulcahy.....	"	1 00	7 63	Paid
23	Thomas Shumanski...	"	1 00	8 03	"
23	Mike Sylva.....	"	1 00	8 03	"
23	Toney Duski.....	"	1 00	8 03	"
Aug 16	John Smith.....	"	1 00	11 95	Mittimus Is'd
16	Barney Lynch.....	"	1 00	4 51	Paid

Grand List \$16,804.57.

NOTICE.

The legal voters in town meeting of the town of West Rutland, Vt., are hereby warned to meet at Campbell's Hall on Tuesday, the 7th day of March A. D. 1905, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following matters, to wit:

1st. To choose all necessary town officers required by law.

2d. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

3d. To see if the town will vote to raise the 20 percent highway tax as required by law.

4th. To see if the town will vote a State highway tax of 5 cents on the dollar as required by law.

5th. To see if the town will vote a State school tax of 8 cents on the dollar as required by law.

6th. To see if the town will vote a tax of 2 cents on the dollar for library expenses.

7th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate 20 percent of the highway fund for sidewalks.

8th. To see if the town will vote money to pay the current expenses and indebtedness of the town.

9th. To see if the town will vote a tax for electric lights.

10th. To see if the town will vote to pay all taxes direct to the treasurer as required by law.

11th. To see if the town will vote to give the constables the jurisdiction of the State in serving criminal processes.

12th. To see if the town will vote to provide more school room.

13th. To see if the town will vote an appropriation for the West Rutland band.

14th. To see if the town will vote to sell that portion of the town farm east of the Clarendon river.

15th. To see what action the town will take in regard to the tax books of 1899, 1900 and 1901 which are lost.

16th. To transact any other necessary and legal business.

JAMES LEAMY,
GEO. C. ROBINSON, } Selectmen.
DANIEL O'ROURKE, }

West Rutland, Vt., Feb'y 20th, 1905.